

## Message Text

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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMCONSUL BELIZE NIACT IMMEDIATE  
INFO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA PRIORITY  
AMEMBASSY MEXICO PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR, BH

SUBJECT: HERALD ARTICLE ON DEA

1. CONSUL GENERAL AUTHORIZED TO MAKE FOLLOWING STATEMENT  
IF QUERIED ON MIAMI HERALD ARTICLE:

BEGIN TEXT

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS NEVER SOUGHT TO DISCREDIT  
ANY OFFICIAL OF THE BELIZEAN GOVERNMENT; AT THE SAME  
TIME, HOWEVER, DRUG AUTHORITIES IN THE U.S. HAVE BECOME  
INCREASINGLY CONCERNED ABOUT INDICATIONS THAT BELIZE  
MAY HAVE BECOME A TRANSSHIPMENT POINT FOR HEROIN BEING  
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SMUGGLED INTO THE U.S.

THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WAS THEREFORE NOT WILLING TO IGNORE  
OFFERS OF POSSIBLE "LEADS" THAT COULD EITHER SUBSTANTIATE  
OR REBUT THESE INDICATIONS. TO THE EXTENT THAT STATEMENTS  
ATTRIBUTED TO U.S. OFFICIALS CHARGED WITH EXPLORING THE  
VALIDITY OF THESE LEADS IMPLY ANY INTENT TO "TARGET" ANY

SPECIFIC BELIZEAN OFFICIAL, THEY DO NOT REFLECT OFFICIAL  
U.S. POLICY.

WE REGRET THAT ANY LANGUAGE IN THESE DOCUMENTS COULD  
HAVE ALLOWED OTHER INFERENCES TO BE DRAWN. END TEXT. VANCE

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## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
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**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
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